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SAYS THAT PRIMARIES ARE FAMILY AFFAIRS

And Should Not Be Interfered with by Outsiders Who Only Seek to Make Trouble

Gops Not Likely to Repeal a Law That Has Made County, State and Nation Republican

Pat—"The supreme court decided that the ballot boxes in a primary cannot be opened for a recount. Do you think that's right?"

Mike—"I do, and for several reasons."

Pat—"Well, when evidence is shown that there is fraud play not open the boxes and show up the guilty parties?"

Mike—"Primaries are family affairs and should not be interfered with by outsiders."

Pat—"How do you figure it that families cannot disagree?"

Mike—"I don't do innu such figuring, but I also claim that families have means and methods of settling their own disputes and should assert their prerogatives without outsiders making capital of it."

How Could Disputes Be Confined

Pat—"Will, how would you confine these disputes to those causing them?"

Mike—"By making primaries strictly by parties, that is have each party select their own ticket and then support or defeat that ticket by their suffrages and not let the opposition butt in and select a ticket that is weak and easy pickings."

Pat—"How would you come by that result?"

Mike—"Various ways have been suggested, but the foxes want to want an honest primary because they could not make their trades and sell out to the highest bidder. It may be necessary to have different days for different parties and make drastic laws to keep all but members of a party away on that day, thin the ticket would be fairly representative of the party interested."

Not a Bit Expensive

Pat—"But that would be too expensive."

Mike—"Not a bit more than contents and layout bickerings and the elichun of incompetent offishuns."

Pat—"Do you think the present primary is worse than the old convinsun?"

Mike—"Immensely so. It is not at all, at all a partisan elichun of a party the present method of selecting candidates. The party in power always has a surplus of candidates and the outa a difficulty in filling their ticket. With no fight on among their candidates the outa, with both primaries on the same day, center their strength and vote for the weak sister on the opposishun ticket and thin on elichun day vote their ticket straight while the weak ticket they helped to nominate is beaten by the stay-at-home vote. Do you git me?"

Made the Nation Republican

Pat—"But don't the law say—that you must support the candidates in the general elichun you vote for in the primary?"

Mike—"It's, but how are you going to find out whether a voter lives up to that law or not when they are all voting on the same day at a primary and at the same general elichun? Yes have a sample of that right now in the present offishun at the court house."

Pat—"Will, the governor will most loikely have the special sissun introduced a bill to rectify that."

Mike—"Not vary loikely whin it has made it possible to make this county, state and nation republican."

JEFF PHILLIPS.

A JOKER IN THE BUS FRANCHISE

When the ordinance proposing to give a franchise to a bus company to operate in this city in opposition to the street railway was read for the first time Monday night it was found that a "big nigger" was in the woodpile, for already the promoters of the line and their backers have left a loophole through which the company can crawl out and sell the franchise if desired to any one—possibly the street railway—and after making a "good speck" leave the citizens in the lurch.

William James and John Knuth, farmers living near Coeb, were severely hurt in a runaway on Sylvan street Thursday.

WILL NOT BE BOUNCED

Democratic Office Holders Justly Refuse to Give Up Offices Until Terms Expire.

Those Democratic appointive office holders in the state whom the gops through their governor Hyde would remove from office before the expiration of the term for which they were appointed—simply to give a Republican a place—will not step down and out without a fight—and gop attorney general Barrett has also stated that he does not expect that he can get them out before next October. A dispatch from Jefferson City states that the fact is it will be near the close of the year before the supreme court passes upon the applications he will file for writs of quo warranto to oust the Democrats.

Tim Birmingham, state game and fish commissioner, contends that his official term will not end until August 17 of the present year, and says he will not vacate his office before that time unless the courts decide against him. Frank Middleton of Unionville, who has been appointed to succeed Birmingham, received his commission Tuesday morning. He said he would file his official bond of \$5,000 immediately and make formal demand for the office.

George Wagner of Jefferson City, who was appointed to succeed Dr. E. L. Barnhouse as food and drug commissioner, also received his commission Tuesday and said he would file his official bond of \$10,000 immediately and make demand for the office.

Mrs. Alice Curtice-Moyer Wing of Greenville, who was appointed to succeed Lee Dunlap of Kansas City as state industrial inspector, did not receive her commission until Wednesday. Dunlap had not been in Jefferson City since last week, but when he returned on Monday, set all doubt at rest by stepping down and out.

Both Dr. Barnhouse and Dunlap served notice that their terms of office will not expire until June 1, 1923.

Even if the court decides against the Democrats, it is not likely that a ruling will be announced before the fall of next November.

HARRIS FOUND DEAD

Is Discovered Lying in a Room at the Roy Hamm Home Last Sunday Night.

When Dr. J. T. Stamey, who was called to the home of Roy Hamm, 2123 St. Joseph Avenue, looked at the dead body of Bryant Harris, twenty-five years of age, which he found lying on the floor and saw several cuts and bruises on the body, he called Coroner Timmerman, who sent it to an undertaker's and then looked into the killing—as is indicated.

Six persons were arrested Sunday, but two were released on Monday. Although the police worked all Sunday night and Monday on the case, they had no positive evidence, although it is certain that Harris was murdered.

Jesse W. Russell, whom the police now know had a fight with Harris, was arrested Monday, charged with the murder of Harris. It is claimed that he struck Harris down, and again struck him after he was prostrate and unconscious. Russell denies all knowledge of the crime. He was committed to jail to await further action.

GAS COMPANY ALLOWED AN APPEAL

Of course the St. Joseph Gas Co. appealed from the decision of Judge T. B. Allen in the gas rate cases, and on Wednesday was notified that the supreme court had sided in with the company to the extent of giving it a new trial of the case, to take place on a date to be fixed, at which time the decision of Judge Allen will be thrown out. The gas company must put up \$40,000 bond to protect the users who are paying the increased rates under protest.

JOPLIN CITIZENS PROTECT THEIR UTILITIES

A striking contrast between real public spiritedness and narrowness and prejudice, is shown in the result of a special election held at progressive Joplin Tuesday, at which time by a majority of 4 to 1 the people voted to put the irresponsible jitneys off the streets and protect their street car system. Here the majority of the people want to kill off the street railway—a needed utility—and perpetuate the irresponsible jitney.

CERTIFICATES ARE READY

Relatives of Buchanan County Men Who Died in the Service Should Write Harry S. Glaze.

Relatives of men from Buchanan county who died while in the service are asked to write Harry S. Glaze, 417 Corby-Fores Building, concerning the Memorial Certificates which are being given out by the Malcolm Macdonald Post, American Legion. The certificates are now ready for distribution and if the name of the dead ex-service man, the relationship and address of the writer is given the certificates will be appropriately inscribed and ready within ten days.

An official list of those who died in the service is being obtained from the state adjutant general at Jefferson City. However, to ensure receiving a certificate it will be necessary to communicate with Mr. Glaze. It is estimated that about 130 men from Buchanan county died while in the service.

WAS BEST MEETING HELD BY MEDICS

Over four hundred physicians of the state, many of them accompanied by their wives, attended the Missouri State Medical Association convention held here on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The programme was a most elaborate one and the meeting in all features a decided success, the attendance being the largest in the sixty-four years of the association's existence. The officers elected for the ensuing year are Dr. A. H. Hamel, St. Louis, president; Dr. B. W. Hays, Jackson, first vice president; Dr. C. W. Russell, Springfield, second vice president; Dr. T. E. Moore, Trenton, third vice president; Dr. C. A. Cuppage, Moberly, fourth vice president; Dr. H. W. Carle, St. Joseph, fifth vice president; Dr. E. J. Goodwin, St. Louis, secretary, and Dr. J. Franklin Welch, Salisbury, treasurer.

LAW SCHOOL BANQUET LAST NIGHT

George Zwick was toastmaster and Ben Philip made the principal address at the St. Joseph Law School annual banquet held at the Robidoux last night, and at which a large number were in attendance. The principal student addresses and toast responses were made by Miss Mamie Strop on "Our Faculty—All Men!" by Fred Wanger on "The Class of 1922," by L. L. Linck on "The Sheriff in Action;" William Heaton Shull on "Advantages of a Night Law School;" Louis W. Starr on "The Young Business Man As a Law Student;" Walter L. Butts on "Our School;" John Pennington on "The Student Body;" and Miss Virginia Hayes on "Women Lawyers."

BELL TELEPHONE CO. LOSES ITS CASE

Through a decision handed down in the supreme court at Jefferson City by Chief Justice Walker, Tuesday, the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. loses its case against the state public service commission, in which it asked that a ruling of the commission reviewing the rates allowed after the telephone lines passed from the hands of the government into those of its original owners be held up, was refused by the supreme court. It may be that St. Joseph business patrons will have part of their payments refunded to them.

GEORGE W. GROVES AS A FLOP

One of the prettiest displays of peonies in the city proper is that of Mr. George W. Groves on his lawn at Twenty-fifth and Mulberry streets. While not as large as that of Judge Vorles, the grouping of colors is most tasty and the display elaborate. It is attracting much attention.

St. Joseph secured the next annual convocation of the grand commandery of the Knights Templar of Missouri at the convention held in Kansas City this week.

LENROOT SAYS OTHERS WILL DO THE CHEERING

FOUR YEARS FROM LAST FALL IF REPUBLICANS DO NOT MEND THEIR WAYS

CAUSES HIS FELLOW MEMBERS TO THINK

The Republican Congress Now Sees That There Is But One Way in Which the Party Can Be Retained in Power and That Is For It to Reduce the Burdens of the People and Redeem the Campaign Pledges Made Last Year Which Promises Swept It Into Power by a Majority of 7,000,000 Votes.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 25.—(Special Correspondence).—Disarmament as related to reducing taxation has been the chief feature of the discussion of the huge Naval Appropriation Bill in the Senate, with emphasis on the recent report of the secretary of the treasury, Mr. Mellon, that a reduction in the appropriations for war purposes is the only means left of reducing federal taxation by this Congress.

Republican writers and speakers have created a widespread impression that by disarmament is meant the United States shall reduce its armaments without regard to a reduction

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GOOD THEN—GOOD NOW

The Poem That Made John Wesley Gains Famous Applies to the Present.

Back in 1906 when the grand old party of staidness and lawfawm was as strongly anchored in the saddle as it is at present John Wesley Gaines, who at that time represented a Tennessee district in court (which by the way is now represented by a gop) was "kidded" so much by his gop cotemporaries in the House on the supposed death of the Democratic mule, that he finally "wrote a poem" of protest—and singularly the "poem" is as apropos today as it was then—so it is hereby reproduced. It is entitled "Is Here the Democracy will die" and tells its story like this:

When the lions eat grass like an ox,
And the fishworm swallows the whale;
When the terrapins knit woolen socks,
And the hare is outrun by the snail;
When serpents walk upright like men,
And doodle-bugs travel like frogs;
When the grasshopper feeds on the hen
And feathers are found on hogs;
When Thomas-cats swim in the air,
And elephants roost upon trees;
When insects in summer are rare,
And snuff never makes people sneeze;
When the fish creep over dry land,
And mules on velocipedes ride;
When foxes lay eggs in the sand,
And women in dress take no pride;
When Dutchmen no longer drink beer,
And girls get to preaching on time;
When the billy goat butts from the rear
And treason no longer is crime;
When the humming-bird brays like an ass,
When plowshares are made out of glass,
And limburger smells like cologne;
And hearts of Tennesseans are stone;
When sense grows in Republican heads,
And wool on the hydraulic ram;
Then the Democratic party will be dead,
And this country not worth a—
Keokuk Dam.

GOING TO WEAR ONE?

Paper Suits of Clothing Will Soon Be Placed on the Market in St. Joseph.

"Going to buy one of our paper suits when we put them on the market?" asked a Felix street clothing dealer of a newspaper man Tuesday. When the dealer further added that these suits could be sold at about a dollar, the figure touched the newspaper man's pocket size, and he promptly answered that he would. The dealer said the suits will be of strong German paper.

The dealer further stated that thousands upon thousands of such suits are now stored in warehouses at a southern port ready to be placed on sale as soon as the United States and Germany reach a peaceful basis.

The paper suits imitate cloth. The fabric is treated with waterproofing and woven tightly. The garments look like blue denim. Samples are to be put on display by this clothier in a few days.

"DON'T CARE A—DAM"

When Adam in bliss
Asked Eve for a kiss,
She puckered her lips with a coo,
Gave looks so ecstatic,
And answered emphatic,
"I don't care A—dam if I do."

—Milan Standard.

The Fishery case was on Thursday reset for trial June 28.

WILL LOSE HOSPITAL

If There Is Not a Stop Put to the "Dickering" Now Secretly Going On.

Just a little more dickering such as has been going on for the past five months—just a little more propaganda such as is now being sown every day by the men who will make the money out of the removal—just a little more collusion and dark lantern work such as has been going on for the past few months—and some fine morning in the very near future, the people of St. Joseph will wake up and read in their morning paper that "State Hospital No. 2 will be removed to"—it will most probably be Kansas City—for that place is active and energetic and for a long time past has through the medium of a fully equipped organization been at work to remove that institution of so much commercial value to that place—and if they do not succeed it will be because the purse is not long enough—and which will be the first time in the history of that place that the aforesaid purse had not sufficient capacity.

A man totally blind in one eye and with half of a glass eye in the other socket, had he witnessed the gyrations and manoeuvres gone through with on Monday and Tuesday when Gov. Hyde was here, by some of those St. Joseph gentlemen who are posing as friends of their own city but who are not—and are only out for what "there is in it for them," and which can only be secured by a change in location—could have even with such battered seeing instruments as above mentioned have looked entirely through the whole smooth worked scheme—and which will lose St. Joseph State Hospital No. 2—just as sure as the first preliminary move is made. All this tommyrot—it is even too silly to be called that—about moving it to "some other part of this county," is so idle that it causes nausea—and worse.

Almost all of that artfully contrived propaganda of "urgent need for more ground and buildings;" that the "present institution is overcrowded," etc., etc., is but clap trap to divert the attention while the underground work goes on—and St. Joseph has just about as many men interested in this underground work and who will profit greatly thereby, as the other points interested in getting that great institution removed to their section.

Bear this in mind—that if once a movement carries to purchase land away from the present site—no matter if it is promised that it will be near St. Joseph—that State Hospital No. 2 is gone—and not less than fifty miles will intervene between it and St. Joseph.

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A DOUBLE SHOOTING

After a Violent Quarrel With His Wife Alva Crabb Begins Firing.

As a little pistol practice before breakfast Tuesday morning Alva Crabb of 1204 North Ninth street, who has not worked at his trade, that of a machinist, for over a year, on Tuesday morning following a quarrel which is said to have lasted nearly all night, shot his wife, Frances, 33 years of age, in the head with a .38 caliber revolver and then turning the pistol to his own dome, let drive and sent a ball through his head.

The two were promptly hauled off to a hospital where doctors said that the wife could live, but Crabb stood a poor show. The couple have been married but a short time, but the principal part of it has been devoted to quarreling.

CITY WINS FREDERICK AVENUE CASE

A brass band headed a big crowd of Frederick Avenue boosters who paraded the principal business streets Wednesday afternoon, carrying appropriate banners announcing the victory of the city in the Frederick Avenue paving case. The supreme court on Monday passed on the question of the validity of the ordinances passed in 1919 and declared them valid. Work will begin as soon as the contracts can be let. Secretary Lawler of the Frederick Avenue Association will ask the property owners to not impede the work unless it is improperly done. The cost of the work will be \$117,000 to the property owners and \$77,000 for the street railway.

HAMILTON SAYS WOULD HELP CITY

F. C. Hamilton of New York, who is here representing the Doherty interests, addressed the Rotary Club at its luncheon on Tuesday and it is safe to say that many of the members of the club who were hostile to the street railway company before his address experienced a change of heart when they heard the truth. Mr. Hamilton showed where the street railway interests are ready and glad to uphold the city, but he could hardly see why it should be asked to divide its business with the jitneys who do nothing for the city except to wear out its streets.

NICHOLAS BYRNE, ONE OF THE EARLY PROMINENT RESIDENTS OF THIS CITY, DIED AT THE HOME OF HIS DAUGHTER, MRS. T. J. KELLY, 2209 SOUTH TENTH STREET, MONDAY NIGHT. HE HAD RESIDED IN THIS CITY FOR OVER HALF A CENTURY.

The public schools will hold graduation exercises at the Auditorium Friday next, at which time 427 will be graduated.

GRAND ARMY VETERANS COULD NOT SEE GOVERNOR

MISSOURI'S EXECUTIVE POSTS A NEW SORT OF NOTICE ON THE OUTER WALLS

AND IT DOES NOT "SET WELL" WITH SOLDIERS

For the First Time in the History of This Imperial and Sovereign State It Is Not Possible to See the Titular Head of the State Only for a Very Short Period of Each Business Day and Then the Visitor Must Enter Through But One Door.

When the line of Missouri's governors is gone down and the custom followed by them defined, it is found that at the present time—this year of our Lord and the first under gop rule for many moons—marks an epoch in Missouri affairs—for it is the first time in the history of the state that people of the state who had business with the chief executive could not see him only at certain short hours—and Gov. Hyde is responsible for this departure from democracy and approach to imperialism and autocracy.

Now the visitor, whether on business or pleasure—no matter which—cannot see Gov. Hyde—and what is worse—not even his private secretary, Orniston—no matter how serious or important the occasion—except between the hours of 11 a. m. and 3:30 p. m.

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NOT GOING GOOD NOW

The People Are On to the Bank That Bond Issues "Do Not Increase Taxes."

Communities which have been fooled a few times on bond issues where they were told as they were in this county two years ago that the "voting of the bonds would not increase taxation," are not to be fooled any longer and when the game is tried, promptly knock it in the head. Of course it is not necessary to state that the people of St. Joseph and Buchanan county have "discovered" that they were lied to, for all of them have since paid taxes and their tax receipts are living evidence of the fact that they were hoodwinked. Some other places report like results. Read this:

"Bond issues are not going good of late. The people no longer swallow the usual bunk that bond issues will not increase taxes. The people in general have about concluded not to take on any more obligations, whether it be in the shape of bonds, donations or promotions. The drive scheme is not so easily worked as some months ago. War time methods are going into the discard which is a sign that we will ere long get back to rational and normal conditions. Promising to pay something in the future is easily done but when the paying time comes it is just as hard to pay as if it had to be done at first. It is all of the same piece as of buying necessities on credit. It is just as necessary to go on the cash basis for donations and promotions as in buying groceries and clothing. The future is just as fickle, uncertain and exacting as the past has been and promises will always come home or due at inopportune times. It is not plunging but economy in every line of endeavor that this country needs now to practice. The same law that was given to Adam and Eve when they left the Garden of Eden is still in force and will have to be observed if the people prosper."—Moberly Democrat.

THE FINAL HONOR

The Remains of Patrick P. Kane, St. Joseph's Fire Chief, Laid to Rest.

After the highest honors that the Catholic church could pay to one of its members—solemn high mass of requiem—conducted by Father Bolger of St. Patrick's, assisted by Rev. B. S. Owens of Easton, Rev. Michael Grace of St. Patrick's and Rev. C. F. Buddy of the Cathedral, the remains of the late Patrick P. Kane, chief of St. Joseph's fire department, were placed in fire motor truck No. 5, which was decked in mourning, the coffin covered with flowers and escorted by several hundred mourning friends who on all business streets passed between sidewalks crowded with more friends, was taken to Mount Olivet Monday and interred.

The entire fire department marched as escort and a heavy detail of police led the procession, in which were all of the city and county officers. As the procession passed the Seventh street fire department headquarters the fire bells tolled. At all of the fire houses passed the reserve men and apparatus were drawn up in front to bid farewell and do the last honors to their beloved chief.

At the banquet of the State Roentgen Society Thursday night, Dr. H. J. Ravola was elected president.